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To: [David McQuiddy](#); [Eric Delgado](#); [Steve Mason](#)
Subject: FW: NM update
Date: 06/29/2011 12:12 PM

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Sent on : 06/29/2011 12:29:58 PM
Subject : Re: NM update

Sorry for the delay. We wanted to get the latest.

1. ASPECT is confirmed to arrive in Santa Fe at 1:30. They will depart Santa Fe at 4:30 CDT to begin flyover on the agreed flight paths. This can be provided via a separate message if you don't have it.
2. Fixed monitors are being sited today and installed today and may be tomorrow (until done). Not possible to give exact time frame until all specific site conditions are evaluated.
3. I am proposing to post data on the Forest Service Incident website. The site is already set. We can put a link and identify the data. This will require HQ review and approval. First posting tomorrow noon of ASPECT info collected today. Not necessarily all info, just is reviewed.

▼ [Lee Veal](#)

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From: Lee Veal
Sent: 06/29/2011 11:55 AM EDT
To: Dana Tulis
Cc: Carolyn Levine; Gilberto Irizarry; Kim Jennings; Sam Coleman
Subject: Re: NM update

You're asking if this is correct:

"it is my understanding that" 1. the plane will fly today and 2. monitors will be there today

I have to leave the ASPECT verification up to Region 6. Item 2 is correct. The RERT arrives today. They will set up shop with Region 6, (our lead) and work toward placing monitors in coordination with the State and DOE networks. RERT left Las Vegas yesterday (after packing up), stopped at 11pm last night in Flagstaff, and left Flagstaff this morning at 8 am (local time).

Dana, I know that you know this, but I need to stress one thought about safety and flying in this area. This is not going to be an easy, smooth flight for ASPECT. Winds are treacherous in this terrain and will be more so given the heat from the fires. I hope that decisions to fly or not fly are allowed to be made by the local team and with due consideration of the need for the data (i.e., having a radiation source might be a necessary constraint on the decision) and personnel safety. The fires are not on LANL property and we do not have a radiation source at this moment.

I'm all for heroic measures where necessary, but I've gotten a bit attached to our NDT folks....

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▼ Dana Tulis---06/29/2011 11:11:23 AM---Tito, Sam and Lee - is this accurate? -
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Date: 06/29/2011 11:11 AM
Subject: Re: NM update

Tito, Sam and Lee - is this accurate?

▼ Carolyn Levine

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From: Carolyn Levine
Sent: 06/29/2011 11:00 AM EDT
To: Dana Tulis; Gilberto Irizarry; Kim Jennings
Subject: NM update

Can you all please weigh in--is this general message ok? Do you have any more details about our overall involvement?

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----- Forwarded by Carolyn Levine/DC/USEPA/US on 06/29/2011 10:59 AM -----

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Date: 06/29/2011 10:56 AM
Subject: RE: update

Ok, David also told us ASPECT is waiting for a flight plan from state/DOE. I think the anxious constituents and media folks just want to know (and will ask the Senator in his daily travels)--is the plane flying? are the monitors on site? (and then, how many, where) Is it safe for the Senator to say: "it is my understanding that" 1. the plane will fly today and 2. monitors will be there today. We'll leave the details to state/EPA.

-----Original Message-----
From: Levine.Carolyn@epamail.epa.gov
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Sent: Wednesday, June 29, 2011 10:49 AM
To: Wallace, Andrew (Tom Udall)
Subject: Re: update

hi Drew-

the state press release that I sent earlier outlines the coordinated efforts. We are supporting the state, so I can try to separate EPA's efforts, but it is a state lead effort.

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From: "Wallace, Andrew (Tom Udall)"
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To: Carolyn Levine/DC/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 06/29/2011 10:30 AM
Subject: update

Hi Carolyn, just checking in for the latest update on the EPA monitoring efforts. Anything you can share about the ground and air based monitoring? Thanks!